



Big Brothers needed in Northern New Mexico

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If you can spare one lunch hour per week for a year, you can make a real difference in the life of a child through the “Lunch Buddies” program operated by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northern New Mexico. Research reveals that having a “Big” can have a positive, long-term influence on the children ages five through 18 who participate. For instance, 67 percent of former “Littles” agreed their Big played a role in their decision to attend college. Currently, the organization is experiencing a shortage of male “buddies.” Perhaps you, or someone you know, could reap huge emotional returns from a small investment of time.

Big Brothers Big Sisters seeks to identify children who need the most support, including those living in single-parent homes, growing up in poverty or coping with parental incarceration. Having same-gender support for youngsters is as simple as getting together and having fun! Have an interest you’d like to share with a child? Is your hobby photography, soccer, or gardening? The organization stands ready to match you and

your interests with a child who is waiting for a caring, interested adult. Children are waiting for your help in Los Alamos, Rio Arriba, and Santa Fe counties.

If you have more time to give, say four to six hours a month, you can help through the organization's "community-based" program where you and your little spend time together outside of a school setting. It's something to think about.

Of course, Big Brothers Big Sisters is always there behind the scenes ready to supply support for everything from training through ongoing guidance for both you and your Little as needed.

Need more inspiration to volunteer? Go to http://www.bbbsnorthernnm.org/site/c.bkLVKiOSLeK4E/b.6499391/k.EF3D/Home_Page.htm.

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